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PRAGUE, HAKOAH IN DO-OR-DIE EFFORT TO REACH GRAND FINAL

Wentworth Park should draw its biggest football crowd ever when Prague and Hakoah clash on Sunday, September, 24.

They meet in the preliminary final for the right to meet Canterbury in the Grand Final to be played at Henson Park on Sunday, October 1.

These teams have already met four times this season and Prague holds the edge in competitive match play.

Both teams won one competition match each (Hakoah 2:1 and Prague 3:1).

Prague accounted for their opponents, 6:3, in the 1961 Ampol Final.

Hakoah won a trial match against Prague very early in the season 3:2.

Steady defence

As results indicate both teams are very close and Sunday's match should also be an even one.

Prague and Hakoah play a similar style of soccer, the main difference being that Prague's defence has proved itself the steadier under pressure.

Hakoah's rear-guard must remain suspect, although it played particularly well last Saturday to hold the Burgoyne led Pan Hellenic forwards.

Hakoah will certainly have to repeat last weekend's form in defence to hold Prague out.

Prague, once renown for its skilful, irresistible attack, is now battling to field a match-winning quintette.

Untimely injury

Hakoah, too, are bedevilled by their attack at the moment and Hume's untimely leg fracture will be felt by the team.

If Levi is completely recovered from his recent illness and Jaros retains his current form then Hakoah may force Prague to miss its first grand final in three seasons.

However, I feel that Prague's experience and all-round stability in defence can see them through.

The team, although not in its best form, is bound to click sooner or later and, I feel, it may be this Sunday.

It should be a great battle between the defences and Prague may just display that little extra solidity which will clinch it another grand final berth.

LOU GAUTIER

- THE LINE-UP -

WENTWORTH PARK, 3 P.M., SUNDAY

REFEREE: R. PEARCE
LINESMEN: H. PARSONS, J. SCIFLEET

PRAGUE

1 Goal — R. LORD
2 Right back — K. HIRON
3 Left back — S. SHERWIN
4 Right half — W. TAMANDL
5 Centre half — E. NINAUS
6 Left half — L. SCHEINFLUG
8 Inside right — J. CHRISTENSEN
10 Inside left — A. JEFFREY
7 Outside right — G. JONES
9 Centre forward — H. NINAUS
11 Outside left — F. TAMANDL

K. JAROS — 11 Outside left
R. LEVI — 9 Centre forward
P. HRNCIR — 7 Outside right
R. NEAL — 10 Inside left
H. DOLEZAL — 8 Inside right
A. BLUTSCH — 6 Left half
A. HANDORF — 5 Centre half
M. CHALDI — 4 Right half
J. AIRD — 3 Left back
V. MACH — 2 Right back
H. WENZL — 1 Goal

HAKOAH

STAR PARADE

Karl Jaros - Hakoah

It has often been said that the arrival in Australia of two crack Austrians started a new era for Sydney soccer.

Karl Jaros, had been to Australia, only eight months previously, with his club F.K. Austria.

He had been so impressed by what he saw then that it did not take long for him to accept an offer by Federation club Prague to migrate to Australia.

Along with Karl came his wife, and their daughter Marlies.

Back in Austria Jaros was established as one of the country's top outside-lefts and in May 1956 had the honour of representing Austria in a full international, in that position, against Brazil, (which ended in a nil-all draw).

He can also boast of 5 "B" caps and one Austrian championship victory with F.K. Austria.

Jaros, now 30, began his career in the Vienna suburb of Stadlau.

With F.K. Austria he has toured the world and local fans will always be grateful that Karl's itinerary included Australia.

Otherwise he would not have caught the eye of enterprising Prague officials and our soccer would have been deprived on one of its "greats".

Jaros was instrumental in Prague's 1959 premiership win — but his greatest season was in 1960 when, paradoxically, Prague won no official title.

He topped the Sydney Morning Herald "Best and Fairest" Awards list and was absolute winner of the "Soccer World" "Star" awards.

This season he transfered to Hakoah club, thus ending a wonderful 3-year term with Prague, but, unfortunately, has not enjoyed the best of health.

Ulcers have kept him out many times this season, but lately he seems to have regained the form which makes him a world-class player.

Jaros must rate as Sydney's top utility player as he is at ease in almost any position.

This season he even deputised for Handorf and filled the centre-half with amazing distinction.

Karl's greatest ambition would be to win the 1961 grand final with Hakoah and to represent Australia in a full International — he has already played for NSW on many occasions.

Grand Final

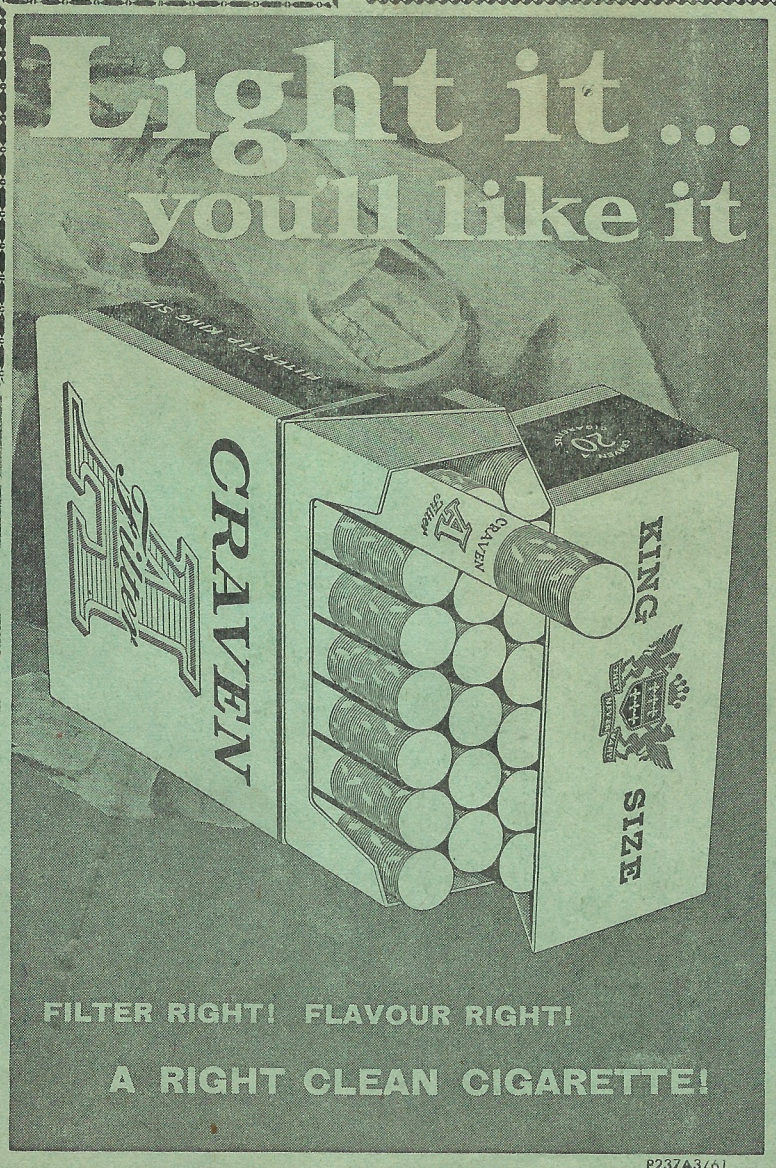
At the Grand Final (Henson Park, Marrickville) next Sunday week, four entrances will be open to the public.

They are Centennial Street, Woodland Street, Amy Street and Sydenham Road.

Sydenham Road entrance, however, will be reserved for car owners and 400 vehicles will be allowed to park in the ground.

Gates will open at 11 a.m. and matches are scheduled for:

- **11.30 a.m. — 3rd grade.**
- **1.10 p.m. — 2nd grade.**
- **3.10 p.m. — 1st grade.**



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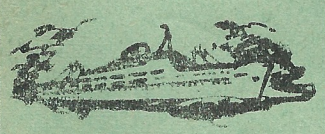

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EDITORIAL

Best things are free

● **Now that our season is gradually coming to its end, Sydney soccer circles are once again buzzing with rumors about transfers for next year.**

Everybody pretends to know who will go where, for how much, and which club will import whom from Europe, South America or Kamchatka.

● **All this, in itself, is harmless enough. It only shows that interest in soccer does not die off at the end of the season and fans already pin their hopes on this or that star for 1962.**

However, it is to be hoped that the clubs themselves are wiser than that.

We would like to believe that the clubs, determined to field better teams next year, will spare some thought for the almost limitless local talent that is available.

● **They say the best things in life are free. While it is doubtful that this famous song actually referred to young soccer players — they really happen to be free.**

The various district clubs, all run on a truly amateur basis, have more promising youngsters on their books than ever before.

● These chaps, from 15 to 19, are crying out for attention.

Given proper tuition and training facilities, they could be turned into match-winners in no time.

● **But who bothers about them? Are our clubs really interested in grooming the vast local talent into top players alongside their importations?**

● Even though some clubs do a praiseworthy job in this field, it is feared that the transfer-import hysteria may divert the attention away from this available material.

● **We would like to see our top clubs establish contact with these junior district teams, even engage the services of "scouts" and go all out in an affort to find the local talent and nail it down.**

Although it sounds like a worn cliche, it doesn't make it any less true: our soccer future depends on the development of local talent.

● Encourage, develop and formulate it — and you-ll have top class Australian soccer.

Neglect and overlook it — and our present boom will be in danger.

The closed season will provide an excellent opportunity for clubs to attract some of these youngsters to their trainings and have them join up.

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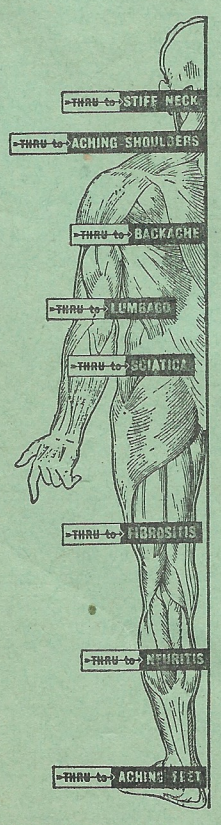

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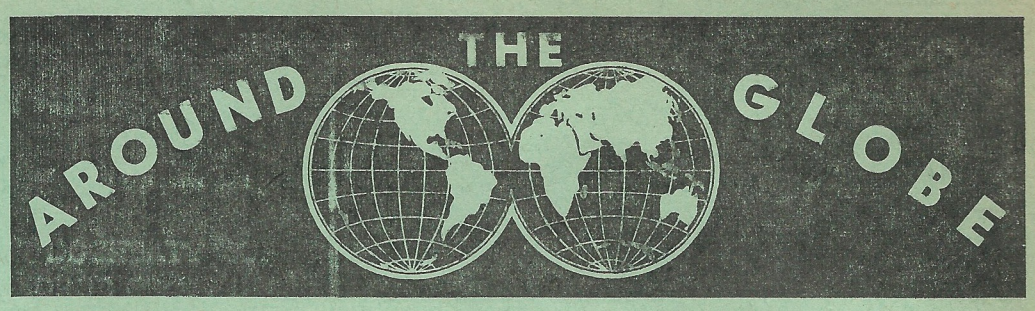


EUROPEAN CUP

Competition for the 1961/62 European Cup has begun and interest in the matches is bigger than ever.

In the eight games played last week a total of 38 goals were scored and the total attendance was over 250,000.

Possibly the biggest upset was caused by Poland's champion side, Gornik Zabrze which, at Katowice, defeated England's Tottenham Hotspurs 4:2.

The English team, that this year won both the League and the Cup, has not been too impressive in the new season and they may find it hard to overhaul Gornik's two-goal lead at their own ground at White Hart Lane, in London.

Real Madrid's 2:0 win over Vasas in Budapest was further proof that the great Spanish team is as good as ever.

Both their goals were scored by former Barcelona right winger, Tejada.

The 90,000 spectators left Budapest's Nepstadion rather disappointed: secretly they had hoped that their former star, Puskas, might appear with Madrid.

However, the former Hungarian "galloping major" thought better of returning to his homeland, even for one day.

Dukla Prague played a valuable 4:4 draw against C.D.N.A., at Sofia.

The Czechs were leading 4:2 with only 27 minutes to go when the home team, rated among the six best in Europe, pulled the match out of the fire.

However, C.D.N.A. will have great difficulty in avoiding defeat when the two again meet, this time in Prague.

Monaco, the French champions, are out of the Cup already; they lost both their matches to Glasgow Rangers 3:2, which has thus qualified for Round II.

The first match, at Monaco, drew a disappointing crowd of 6,000.

The Scots were in full command throughout both matches and won with greater ease than the scores indicate.

Sweden's IFK Goteborg, the team that perenially loses its stars to Italian clubs, went down at home 3:0 to the strong Dutch Feyenoord, which scored all its goals in nine minutes in the first half.

With this Feyenoord can be safely regarded as being in Round II.

Servette Geneva of Switzerland had no trouble in beating Malta's Hibernians Valetta 5:0.

Standard de Liege, Belgium's "millionaire" club, on the other hand, won only 2:1 against Norway's Fredrikstad at Liege (Luttich).

The Belgian team, a pocket-size imitation of Real Madrid, has a galaxy of international stars: German, Hungarian, French and African.

Their left half in this match was a Bonga-Bonga of the Congo and their inside right Sztany, a Hungarian formerly with Eintracht Frankfurt.

And finally, Denmark's Odense swamped tiny Luxemburg's Spora 6:0, before a small crowd of 4000 Luxemburgers.

WORLD CLUB CUP

For the unofficial title of World Club champion, the first match between Europe's representative Benfica of Lisbon, and Sth. America's Penarol of Montevideo, was played in Lisbon before a crowd of 55,000

The home team won 1:0 with the goal from Colona, scored in the 60th minute.

The Portuguese played without their star centre half Germano and used the quite new formation of 1—5—2—3, that is. played with five full backs, two halves and only three forwards in a very defensive pattern as compared to Penarol's more orthodox 1—4—2—4 Sth. American pattern.

According to Press reports, Benfica was rather lucky to win the match and are given little chance of holding on to their narrow advantage in the return match at Montevideo.

BRAZIL

After their European tour Santos returned to Rio with halo around their stars' heads.

The entire Continental sporting press, normally rather fastidious and critical, has been raving about the fantastic displays of Santos FC, and the team is hailed the world's best.

Understandably, two of Santos' stars, Pele and Coutinho have received the greatest attention from experts who agree that these two colored youngsters are the world's best soccer players at present.

After this tour of Santos the view in Europe is that the World Cup cannot possibly be wrested from the phenomenal Brazilians at next year's finals in Chile.

DENMARK

The country's two most talented players, Harald Nielsen and Fleming Nielsen (no relations) have left Denmark for sunny Italy: Harald went to Bologna and Fleming to Atlanta Bergamo.

Both of them played in the Danish team that surprisingly reached the final at last year's Olympics in Rome and it is possible that it was then that they caught the eyes of Italian club officials, always on the look-out for inexpensive Scandinavian talent.

COMPETITION POINTS

ARGENTINA: Racing 27, River Plate 23, Atlanta 22, Independiente, San Lorenzo 21, Gimnasia 19, Boca Juniors 18.

BELGIUM: Anderlecht, Antwerp, Alost, FC Bruges 4, La Gantoise 3, FC Liege, CS Bruges, St. Trond, Ol. Charleroi, Beershot 2.

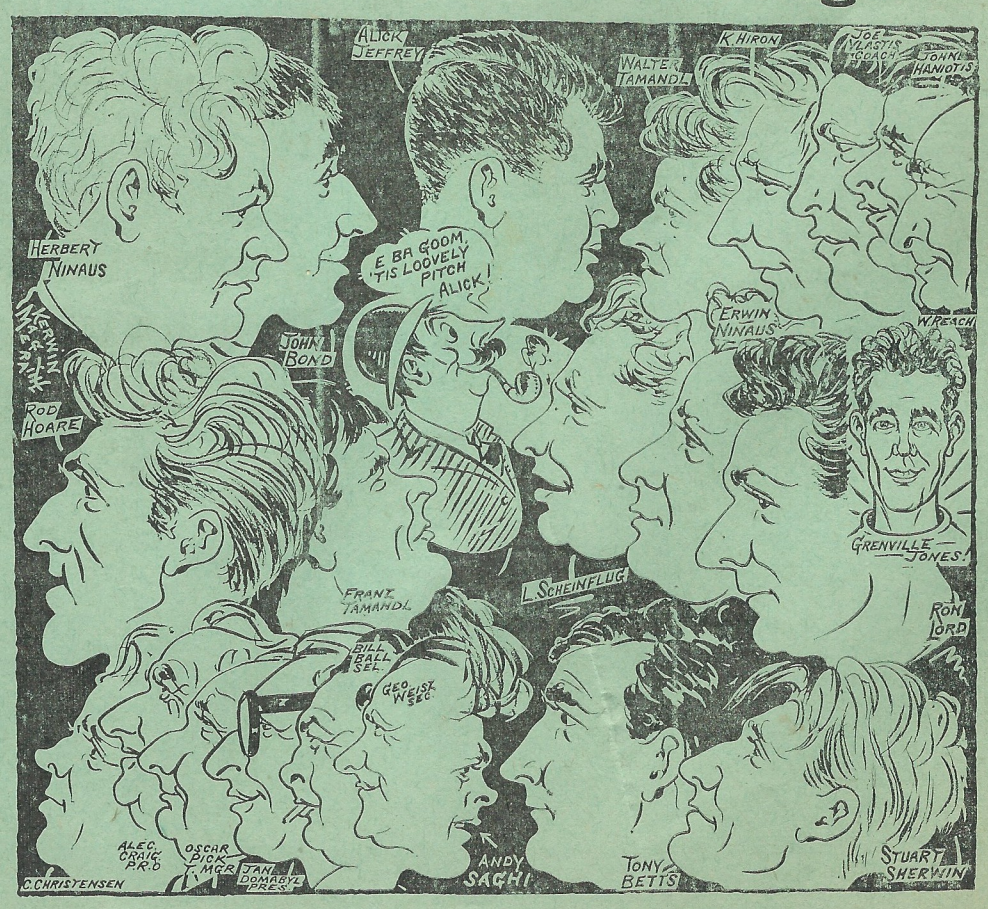
HOLLAND: PCV 8, Feyenoord 7, Ajax, Fortuna, NAC, Willem II. 6, MVV, Valendam, ADO 5.

ITALY: Internazzionale, Atalanta 8, AC Milan 7.

SWITZERLAND: Servette 7, Grasshoppers, Lausanne, Lucerne 6, Schaffhausen, Lugano 5.

YUGOSLAVIA: Partisan 7, Belgrade 6, Vojvodina, Sarajevo 5, Crvena Zvezda, Velez, Borac, Rijeka 4.

KERWIN MAEGRAITH looks on Prague



Radio v. TV tomorrow at Redfern Oval

By KEITH GILMOUR

Tomorrow, Saturday, September 23, the N.S.W. Radio soccer team will make its first official appearance in a floodlit match against Digby Wolfe's T.V. celebrities team.

The match is a gesture to recognise the part played by schoolboy and junior soccer in the New South Wales community's sports programme.

Proceeds of the night will go to assist soccer in the schoolboy and junior ranks.

Representatives of the Youth Advisory Committee and City Council will be present.

One-time Rugby League international, Frank Hyde, will captain the Radio team.

Proceedings will begin with a junior march past — 3,000-strong — at 7.30 p.m., and will conclude by 10 p.m.

Amongst the Radio stars are Tony Withers (2GB), Kevin Goldsby (UW), John Brennan and Phil Halderman (2SM), and Russ. Walkington (2UE).

DIGBY WOLFE

Martin Royal, a former junior soccer official, will carry the banner for the National stations.

Teen-age Idol

Top pop singer, Col Joye, will play for T.V.

Chris. Beard and Ted Hamilton also will play.

Thomas Tycho, the musical director, was brought up in the code. His father was a prominent soccer official in Hungary.

Sydney marching girls' teams will show their prowess in a spectacular display. Massed brass bands will also be on the programme.

COL JOYE

Redfern Oval can hold more than 20,000 spectators and is centraly situated.

NSW T.V. under 10s (Bankstown district's champion side) will play Sutherland Shire in an early match.

A souvenir programme will be on sale at the ground.

Celebrities appearing in the match or attending the game will be available to autograph the souvenir programme.

Marching teams will assemble in the parkland in front of the main Redfern Oval from 6.30 p.m. onwards.

MARTIN ROYAL

LET US HAVE REAL ATMOSPHERE

Supporters of next Sunday's grand finalists should be encouraged to add color and excitement to soccer's biggest day of the year.

The grand final is, after all, our red letter day so we hope that local fans, particularly supporters of the teams engaged, will really "turn it on".

Supporters could parade with mascots and club colors, around the ground at Henson Park before the teams take the field.

Fans could also arrange to sit together on various parts of the ground and form into cheer squads, waving flags and rattles.

All this would add color to this match and really make it soccer's gala day.

Supporters always entertain the crowds before big matches wherever soccer is played overseas and we feel that this would be a welcome addition to the soccer scene in Sydney.

LOU GAUTIER

Are you a betting man?

ODDS AGAINST PREMIERS TAKING MAJOR TITLE

By Paul Dean

If you were a betting man, you could offer the odds of three to one against Prague becoming the Premiers.

In the past four years league premiers could win only one grand-final: Prague in 1959.

In all other years this coveted title went to other teams.

In 1957 the order at the top was Canterbury, Auburn, Bankstown and Gladesville.

In the first semifinal before 3200 people Bankstown beat Gladesville 3:2, while in the other semi watched by 5400 people, Auburn defeated Canterbury 2:1.

In the final Canterbury played splendidly, thrilling a crowd of 5600 and won 7:1.

However, in the grand final before a crowd of 8400, they once again lost to Auburn, this time 4:3.

It is interesting to note that five players from both Auburn and Canterbury are still with their teams: Henderson, Duff, Staples, Hall and Quested with Auburn; Lemon, Brown, Curry and Moore with Canterbury.

So, in 1957, Auburn became champions originally placed second in the league by goal average behind the premiers, Canterbury.

The following year the league premiers, Corrimal, fared even worse.

The order behind them was Canterbury, Auburn and Prague.

In the semifinals Auburn beat Prague 2:1 whiile Canterbury beat Corrimal 3:1.

The final, before 6600 people, was won by Auburn, defeating a tenacious Corrimal 5:4.

However, in the grand final witnessed by 8800 spectators, Canterbury reversed the previous year's result by winning 2:1.

So, for the second year running, the team placed second in the league eventually won the proud title of premiers.

From that team of Canterbury only two players are missing this year: Stocks and Neal, but all the others are still with the club.

Then came the year of exceptions: 1959, when the order in the league read Prague, APIA, Corrimal and Hakoah.

The semifinals produced some intense battles, Hakoah beating Corrimal 4:2 and Prague overcoming APIA, 1:0, scoring the winning goal in the 89th minute.

This latter match, by the way, was watched by 11,000.

In the final APIA subdued Hakoah 4:3 but then, in the grand final, lost to Prague 3:2.

This grand final, in pouring rain, had a record crowd of 12,500 people in Henson Park, but even the final had a crowd of 11,700.

And finally last year when Prague became again premiers from APIA, Canterbury and Auburn.

In the semifinals Canterbury won 2:0 against Auburn, and Prague, before 13,100 people, won 3:0 against arch-rival APIA.

In the final 11,000 spectators watched Canterbury defeat APIA 3:2 and enter their third grand final in four years.

Almost 18,000 people watched this grand final in which the Baumgartner-inspired Canterbury youngsters, finding touch just at the right time, romped home easy winners by 5:2.

So, for the third time in four seasons, league premiers could not clinch the premiership which, this time, went to a team placed only third in the league table.

What will it be like now? Well, for one thing we expect even bigger crowds and better soccer.

And as for the winner ... if you like to follow tradition, then discard the fourth placed team, (Pan Hellenic) as the fourth placed team has never yet won the premiership in Federation history.

The chances that the premiers (Prague), will NOT win the final are pretty good, too: three to one.

According to these figures, the same applies to the third-placed team, (Hakoah); the third placed team only won it once in four years

The chances of Canterbury, having finished second, may equal even money in betting parlance.

But who can guarantee that things this year will follow a set pattern ...?

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Saturday, September 23

SEMIFINALS OF SECOND DIVISION — Macarthur Park, Granville
GRANVILLE v. CROATIA — 1.15 p.m.
YUGAL v. BALGOWNIE — 3 p.m.

Sunday, September 24

FINAL OF FIRST DIVISION — Wentworth Park
PRAGUE v. HAKOAH 3 P.M. FIRST GRADE
APIA v. BANKST'N 1.15 P.M. SECOND GRADE
BANKST'N v. AUBURN 11.45 THIRD GRADE

Next weekend

Sunday, October 1

THREE I. DIVISION GRADE HENSON PARK AT: GRAND FINALS AT 11.45 A.M. — 1.15 P.M. — 3 P.M.

Monday, October 2

II. DIVISION FINALS

Wednesday, October 4

CRAVEN "A" CUP QUARTER-FINALS

PRAGUE v. CANTERBURY Syd. Athletic Field 7.15 p.m.
POLONIA-NS v. BUDAPEST Sydney Athletic Field 9 p.m.

Sunday, October 8

AUBURN v. BANKSTOWN Syd. Athletic Field 1.15 p.m.
HAKOAH v. APIA Sydney Athletic Field 3 p.m.

FOR AND AGAINST

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- A record 20,700 spectators at last weekend's semi-finals despite miserable weather.
- Incident-free semi-finals played in a good, clean, spirit and excellent refereeing by Roy Pearce and Frank Sbisa.
- Perfect organization of the Sunday Sports Ground semi-final — a real tribute to soccer.
- Referee Bill Jamieson in charge of his 100th first grade match at Woonona last Sunday.

WE DID NOT LIKE:

- Every Sunday paper completely ignoring the Prague-Canterbury semi-final which received no publicity at all.

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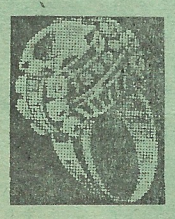

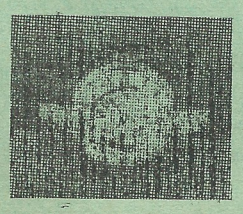

Final Tables

FIRST DIVISION

First Grade

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Prague	14	5	3	59	34	33
Canterbury	13	5	4	51	27	31
Hakoah	12	6	4	64	38	30
Pan Hellenic	11	5	6	46	36	27
Polonia N.S.	11	5	6	51	44	27
APIA	10	4	8	55	43	24
Budapest	9	3	10	53	52	21
Bankstown	8	4	10	41	40	20
Auburn	7	6	9	43	42	20
South Coast U.	7	1	14	42	55	15
Gladesville	6	3	13	35	49	15
Syd. Aust.		1	21	25	105	1

Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
APIA	15	3	3	56	25	33
Prague	14	2	5	56	37	30
Auburn	14	2	5	60	42	30
Bankstown	11	4	6	51	42	26
Sth. Coast U.	12	1	8	58	41	25
Canterbury	10	3	8	50	41	23
Pan Hellenic	7	5	9	55	56	19
Hakoah	7	4	10	57	46	18
Budapest	5	5	11	35	47	15
Polonia N.S.	5	2	14	29	58	12
Gladesville	3	5	13	31	54	11
Syd. Aust.	3	4	14	29	78	10

Third Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Prague	15	6	—	62	18	36
Bankstown	15	4	2	54	20	34
Auburn	12	3	6	38	31	27
Canterbury	10	6	5	51	31	26
Polonia N.S.	11	3	7	40	32	25
Sth. Coast U.	11	2	8	44	31	24
Hakoah	10	1	10	43	33	21
APIA	8	3	10	37	37	19
Gladesville	7	4	10	26	33	18
Budapest	2	4	15	26	53	8
Pan Hellenic	3	2	16	25	54	8
Syd. Aust.	2	2	17	13	72	6

SECOND DIVISION

First Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Yugal	18	1	3	75	28	37
Granville	16	2	4	65	28	34
Balgownie	15	1	6	61	27	31
Croatia	13	2	6	59	36	28
Corinthians	11	4	7	53	44	26
Blacktown	9	7	6	41	39	25
Sutherland	8	5	8	43	47	21
Toongabbie	6	2	14	36	56	14
Lidcombe	6	2	14	39	67	14
Concordia	5	2	15	31	59	12
Manly	4	2	16	32	61	10
Julia	4	2	16	22	65	10

Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Granville	17	3	1	72	32	37
Corinthians	15	4	2	83	31	34
Balgownie	12	3	6	62	30	27
Sutherland	11	3	7	60	37	25
Yugal	11	2	7	42	32	24
Concordia	9	2	10	34	54	20
Manly	8	3	10	42	57	19
Blacktown	6	3	11	39	46	15
Toongabbie	5	5	11	29	53	15
Lidcombe	5	2	14	42	79	12
Croatia	4	3	12	30	44	11
Julia	3	3	15	21	69	9

THIRD DIVISION

First Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melita Eagles	13	3	2	64	31	29
*Juventus	12	3	2	59	26	27
Penrith	11	2	5	51	26	24
Drummoyne	10	3	5	49	24	23
Nova	10	1	8	56	33	21
Sydney Uni.	10	1	7	45	48	21
Lansvale	6	2	11	49	41	14
Fairfield Malt.	8	—	9	30	44	16
Uni. NSW.	2	5	11	25	50	9
Guildford	2	1	15	41	92	5
**Hawkesbury	—	1	9	6	64	1

Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Penrith	13	4	2	57	26	30
Melita Eagles	13		2	3	74	18
*Juventus	12	3	2	61	22	27
Nova	10	1	8	59	31	21
Fairfield Malt.	8	3	7	33	37	19
Sydney Uni.	9	2	7	40	38	20
Drmmoyne	8	4	7	30	33	20
Lansvale	5	4	10	31	40	14
Guildford	2	2	14	17	74	6
Uni. NSW.	2	1	15	19	81	5
**Hawkesbury	2	—	8	12	28	4

*Expelled.
**Withdrew.

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BEST SOCCER SEEN FOR SOME TIME

The fight for the newly created title of Federation Champions (formerly known as 'major premiers') began last weekend.

Following the pattern set in their previous 1961 encounters, Hakoah and Pan Hellenic again had a close, dour battle, won by the more polished and purposeful Hakoah by the odd goal.

However, the match was not without drama and tragedy; four minutes from full time Hakoah's Bill Hume broke his leg.

The following day Canterbury, playing possibly the best soccer we have seen this year from any team, outsped and outwitted the mighty Prague to win 5:3.

The match reached great heights and produced some brilliant soccer. In fact, it was one of the best club matches seen for years in Sydney.

The Canterbury players and their coach, Denis Adrigan deserve every praise for the team's remarkable fitness, keenness and intelligence.

Down on the South Coast the First Division league championship officially came to an end when South Coast, led by the apparently indestructible Jim Kelly, had an easy 7:0 victory over Sydney Austral.

This result has two interesting consequences: South Coast finished ahead of Gladesville with a slightly better goal average and Sydney Austral finally conceded their 100th goal, as predicted in these columns.

Two matches were played in Second Division, both won by the favorites. Balgownie and Granville respectively.

Their wins, however, have not changed the final position in that division.

PAUL DEAN

SEMI-FINALS IN RETROSPECT

Last weekend 20,700 fans watched the Premiership semi-finals.

This is a Sydney record but, had the climatic conditions been more favorable, the 30,000 mark might have been reached for the Saturday and Sunday aggregate.

Here, for comparison, are the aggregate attendances of semi-finals since the inception of the Federation.

- 1957 — 8,800
- 1958 — 10,500
- 1959 — 14,300
- 1960 — 17,400
- 1961 — 20,700

Last Saturday's Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic semi-final attracted the largest crowd ever to a Saturday soccer club fixture in Sydney and twice as many spectators to any Saturday semi-final.

Before last weekend Prague and Auburn had drawn Sydney's biggest Saturday semi crowd when 4,500 fans saw the match in 1958.

It appears likely that last season's record 46,500 for the premieship semis, final and grand final is certainly to be toppled this year.

Total attendance at all soccer matches this season has reached 675,000 already while last year 600,000 people had watched the entire season.

LAST WEEKS RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION

SEMIFINALS

(FIRST GRADE)

Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic 1:0
Canterbury v. Prague 5:3

(SECOND GRADE)

Bankstown v. Auburn 3:2
Prague v. APIA 3:0

(THIRD GRADE)

Auburn v. Canterbury 3:1
Prague v. Bankstown 4:2

DEFERRED MATCHES

South Coast v. Syd. Austral 7:0

Second grade match, a "friendly" was won by South Coast 9:1; this, however, does not count in compitition.

SECOND DIVISION

Manly v. Balgownie 2:6
Sutherland v. Granville 0:3

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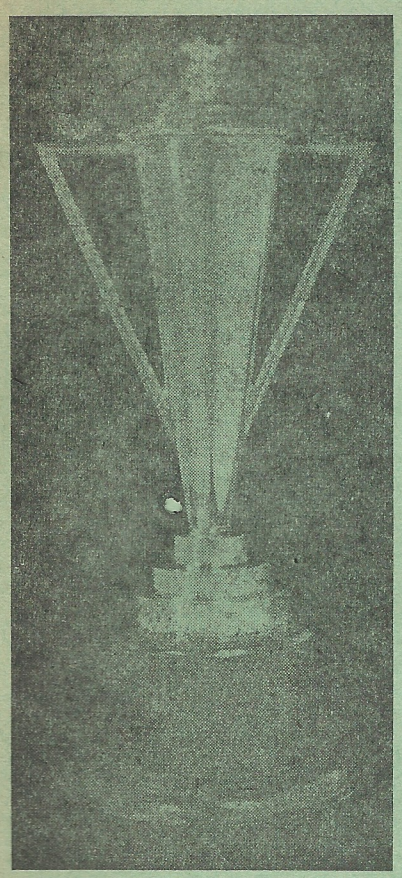

American Health Cup decided

J. Kelly wins Award

Former Blackpool skipper, Jim Kelly has won the American Health Studio Cup.

Kelly in 16 matches played with South Coast United, has gained an average of 4.875 "stars".

These are the points ranging from 1-6 awarded by "Soccer World" writers for competition matches during the 22 premiership rounds.

In addition to the Cup Jim Kelly will receive £50 Cheque and a valuable trophy, as well as a whole year's free course at the American Health Studio.

Auburn's Franz Van Gaalen wins the second prize of £30 and Polonia's centre-half, Stan Sklarek, is the third prize winner and will receive a cheque for £20.

The prizes will be presented to the players at Wentworth Park next Sunday, September 24, prior to the commencement of the main game, between Prague and Hakoah.

Mr. E.M. Cheever, Director of the American Health Studios, will present the trophy and cheques to the winners.

Below is the full list of all players having averaged more than 4 "stars" during the season.

(To quolify a player had to participate in 16, or more, competition matches. In brackets are the number of matches in which the players took part.)

GRANVILLE S. C.

Jack STONE, who has been Granville secretary since last season has resigned, because of pressure of business and John HOLLAND has been appointed in his place.

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FINAL PLACINGS

JIM KELLY (Sth. Coast United)	**4.875**	**(16)**
FRANZ VAN GAALEN (Auburn)	4.681	(22)
STAN SKLAREK (Polonia N.S.)	4.636	(22)
JOHN CURRY (Canterbury)	4.550	(20)
JIM HARRIS (Sth. Coast)	4.500	(20)
THEO TOUSSIS (P. Hellenic)	4.476	(21)
LES SCHEINFLUG (Prague)	4.454	(22)
ANGELO MAVRO (P. Hellenic)	4.429	(21)
PETER KEEN (Gladesville)	4.363	(22)
JOHN GERGELY (Budapest)	4.318	(22)
GERRY CHALDI (Hakoah)	4.315	(19)
WALTER TAMANDL (Prague)	4.300	(20)
ERWIN NINAUS (Prague)	4.250	(20)
JOE GALECZKA (Polonia N.S.)	4.227	(22)
BOB MADDEN (Bankstown)	4.181	(22)
LEN QUESTED (Auburn)	4.181	(22)
ADRIAN RINGLAND (Polonia)	4.181	(22)
LEO. BAUMGARTNER (APIA)	4.136	(22)
LES SCHAUMAN (Budapest)	4.136	(22)
STUART SHERWIN (Prague)	4.136	(22)
DON BROWN (Canterbury)	4.090	(22)
KEN HOUGH (Gladesville)	4.090	(22)
RAFFI LEVI (Hakoah)	4.090	(22)
TOM NORTH (Canterbury)	4.090	(22)
BRIAN BOLAND (Polonia)	4.050	(20)
RON LORD (Prague)	4.045	(22)

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Results, details at a glance

Players are given stars ranging from 1 to 6 as follows 1 = poor; 2 = mediocre; 3 = average; 4 = good; 5 = excellent; 6 = outstanding; no award to sent-off-players.

- LAST PREMIERSHIP MATCH -

(Stars included in Health Cup awards.)

RESULT & SCORES

SOUTH COAST
7 (4)
A. Marshall (16 and 42 min.), D. Roberts (23 and 75 min.), R. Burns (28 and 80 min.), J. Kelly (63 min).

SYDNEY AUST.
0 (0)
Awards by: ERIC RAMSEY

HOW THEY LINED UP AND PLAYED

M. TRISIC**** W. TAYLOR**** S. DEVLIN**** **J. KELLY****** **J. HARRIS***** R. McNEIL**** R. BURNS **** **A. MARSHALL***** W. VAN DER GAAG*** D. ROBERTS**** J. NIPERESS***

TOTAL: 46

I. POPOV*** F. WORKUM**** J. ROZENDAAL** J ABBEBROEK*** C. DE LOOPER**** L. DE BRUIN*** A. SMIT** W. ZOTEMAN**** J. VAN DER WALL** L. BOSKLOPPER*** G. PRIESSEN**

TOTAL: 34

Referee: W. JAMIESON **Crowd: 1,200**

SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

South Coast United gave its best "home" display of the season and its huge win was fully deserved. Sydney Austral had some early scoring chances but their forwards were again well off the mark. Jim Kelly gave a scintillating display and despite a broken wrist, was head and shoulders above any other player on the field, with the possible exception of Austral goalie, Popov, who saved his side from an even bigger defeat.

- SEMI-FINAL MATCHES -

(Not eligible for Health Cup awards.)

HAKOAH
1 (0)
K. Jaros (85 min.).

PAN HELLENIC
0 (0)
Awards by: LOU GAUTIER

H. WENZL*** V. MACH***** J. AIRD**** G. CHALDI**** **A. HANDORF***** A. BLUTSCH**** P. HRNCIR **** R. LEVI*** W. HUME**** H. DOLEZAL** **K. JAROS*****

TOTAL: 45

J. HATZIS*** N. YANGOU***** A. MAURICE**** **A. MAVRO***** T. TOUSSIS**** C. OMEROS**** D. GARGALE*** S. PATRINOS*** R. BURGOYNE*** E. GENARIS*** J. GEORGESON***

TOTAL: 42

Referee: R. PEARCE **Crowd: 9,300**

Hakoah attempted to play the more constructive football and, thus, deserved its narrow win. Play never reached a high standard but the very tight defences made it difficult for the forwards to show out in the miserable climatic conditions. Both goalies shone consistently. Hakoah's Wenzl, Mach and Handorf were the artisans of their win, along with skipper, Jaros.

CANTERBURY
5 (3)
J. Amigo (10 min.), J. Watkiss (12, 25 and 58 min.), B. Smith (81 min.).

PRAGUE
3 (1)
A Jeffrey (8 and 70 min.), H. Ninaus (52 min.).
Awards by: LOU GAUTIER

R. BROWN**** T. NORTH**** G. NUTTALL**** D. BROWN**** J. CURRY**** G. CAMPBELL**** **J. AMIGO ***** **B. SMITH***** **J. WATKISS****** J. WARREN**** **B. SALISBURY*****

TOTAL: 49

R. LORD**** K. HIRON**** S. SHERWIN**** W. **TAMANDL***** E. NINAUS**** **L. SCHEINFLUG***** G. JONES*** A. SAGHI**** H. NINAUS*** **A. JEFFREY** ***** F. TAMANDL**

TOTAL: 43

Referee: F. SBISA **Crowd: 11,500**

The season's best match was deservedly won by a magnificent Canterbury team which, apart from the first few minutes, was never headed throughout the 90 minutes. The Berries' tremendous speed and bewildering interchanging forward-line were too much for Prague. Standard of play was very satisfying and excitement ran high as Prague gamely tried to make up the lee-way, only to see Canterbury leap further ahead every time the Premiers looked like equalizing.

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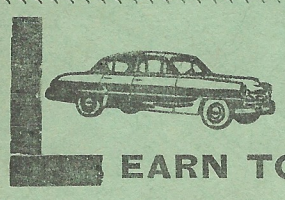

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Interstate Round-up

- MELBOURNE -

From L. K. STONE

DOCHERTY CUP

GEORGE CROSS 1

MELBOURNE 0

GOALSCORER: Zielinski, (George Cross).

George Cross qualified for the semi-final of the Docherty Cup by narrowly defeating Melbourne in an uninspiring encounter.

Toni Vella and McKenna were the chief schemers for the Maltese, whose starstudded forward line was off target.

Gross, Zuckerman and Becsi did everything that was expected of them for Melbourne, but their inside forwards played far too deep and as a result never looked dangerous.

However, a terrific free kick by Weinberg went through a crowd of George Cross players with the unsighted keeper Hobson sticking out his leg instinctively and diverting the ball round the post.

At this stage Melbourne's approach work was superior and a goal might have changed course of the game.

Estimated attendance 2,000 at Olympic Park, Saturday.

POLONIA 5

FOOTSCRAY 0

GOALSCORERS: Jurecki 2, Dudon, Gronowski, Gross, (Polonia).

In the fifth round Docherty Cup replay Polonia showed too much pace and teamwork for Footscray to win convincingly.

Courageous Footscray appeared to suffer for long spells from combat fatigue after last week's gallant fight against the League champions, but nevertheless had very good players in keeper Davies, Grecco and Sabadini.

Best in the very strong Polonia side were Janczyk, Jurecki and Gross.

Estimated attendance 1,000 at Maribyrnong Speedway.

SLAVIA 3

HAKOAH 1

GOALSCORERS: Haasz 2, Angstenberger (Slavia); Villiers (Hakoah).

Slavia defeated Hakoah in extra time in an exciting Cup match that never reached a high standard

Hakoah had only themselves to blame that the score was 1:1 after 90 minutes, but in extra time Slavia's tenacity and fighting spirit enabled them to add two more goals.

Equal best players on the field were Hartley of Hakoah and Glennie of Slavia, who did their utmost to bring some sort of system into their respective teams.

Estimated attendance 1,500 at Port Melbourne.

CRAVEN "A" CUP

POLAND 1

HOLLAND 1

GOALSCORER: Gross (Poland).

Poland won the Craven A International World Cup final with the only goal, scored by Gross from a Jurecki centre in the first few minutes of extra time.

Both teams appeared to play casual football, almost at slow-motion, and the trend of the game never suggested that these was a purse of £700 attached to the series.

Conditions were perfect at Olympic Park and in glorious sunshine it looked almost like an exhibition game instead of a final.

Holland were best served by Erasmus, Van Alphhan and De Bruyekere while Gasior, Szepanski and Gross were Poland's most valuable players.

Estimated attendance 6,500 at Olympic Park, Sonday.

- NEWCASTLE -

From PAUL MACKENZIE

We've got three teams for the Craven "A" competition semi-final in the North but have to wait to see whether Lake Macquarie or Mayfield United will be the fourth team, since they must replay their scoreless draw of last Sunday.

Mayfield Utd. seems to have the Indian sign on Lake Macquarie, which finished third on the premiership table.

In three matches this year Lake Maquarie has yet to record a win against Mayfield United, which finished sixth.

Mayfield United won both matches in the premiership rounds, the only other team to take four points from Lake Macquarie being Awaba, which won the minor premiership.

At Wallsend on Sunday, in front of another big crowd, despite a day of wind and rain, Adamstown which is, on premiership major final reckoning, the North's top team, toppled West Wallsend but only 2:2.

That was the second match and the one which followed the Lake Macquarie-Mayfield United scoreless draw.

The Craven A competition has, in this neck of the woods, become something of an anti-climax after the premiership semi-finals and final with their £1000 gate receipts.

It might be better, if the Craven A competition was played immediatly at the end of the premiership as a pipe-opener for the premiership semi-finals, so sustaining interest right to the end of the season.

And wouldn't it be good if the North and South could make some arrangement so that the Craven A competitions in both cities were played at the same time with the winners to meet on a home and away basis to decide which team is the State champion?

Surely it's a thought worth more than passing reflection. What a good thing it would be for soccer!

The season's boilover came at Adamstown on Saturday when Cessnock, well down the premiership points score table, pushed Wallsend, which lost the premiership to Awaba only on goal average, out of the Craven A competition.

This was a shock from which Wallsend's legion of supporters will not readily recover.

And, to make it even more unpalatable, Cessnock had to rearrange its team almost at the last minute because Cliff Almond, the former international, who had experience in Scottish football, had to withdraw because of an indisposition.

And then, within two minutes of the start, Derek Bright, the young Cessnock stopper, was carried off so that Cessnock was at sixes and sevens from the word go.

But it gave Wallsend that start and a 2:1 beating.

And, on the form, it will be hard to beat in the Craven A competition.

That loss ended the season for Wallsend, which has won the Ampol and Daniels Cups and was runner-up in the premiership.

The writing is on the wall and Wallsend must surely now be convinced that the day of some of its stalwarts is done.

Awaba had a clear win against Cardiff in the first of the matches at Adamstown, the side always playing well within itself.

Awaba is still held in many quarters to be unlucky not to have won both minor and major premierships and it is flat out to try to recoup some lost cash by finishing in front in the Craven A competition.

It could well do it, too.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Invite premiers

Together with thousands of other soccer fans in Sydney I congratulate the Federation on arranging the Australia Cup tournament after the present season.

I think this tournament will prove that soccer CAN draw good growds even in November and our season could, in future, run the scheduled 10 months of the year.

However, one thing seems irk some: in South Australia Budapest won the premiership by two points yet according to Press reports, Juventus was invited to Sydney.

If it is true, we will have three Italian sides competing together with Greek, Polish, Dutch and Australian teams and not one Hungarian.

The Italian community of Sydney, no matter how large and enthusiastic, cannot fully support three of their national sides in this tournament, specially if their matches clash.

So, taking gates and revenue into consideration, if nothing else, it would be advisable to invite Adelaide's Budapest, and ensure yet another community's support for this magnificent competition.

A. Szegedi, North Sydney

State Cup

I would like to see in the near future the return of the State Cup.

Perhaps the Craven "A" cup could be run on a state-wide basis with Sth. Coast, Newcastle and Sydney's 2nd Division teams playingthe early rounds, with Sydney's 1st division clubs coming in later.

The State Cup, has a long and colourful hihtory.

It was first held in 1885 as the Rainsford Trophy, and was won in that year by Granville.

In 1888 the Rainsford Trophy was replaced with the Gardiner Cup and was that carried through to 1928, when the State Association Cup took its place.

This trophy remained till 1944 when the State League Cup was brought into being, this remained until the Association folded up.

Now, why not return to this competition with still another brand new trophy the "Craven A Cup"?

I am sure the top clubs of today Prague, Polonia, Hakoah, Canterbury etc. would like to have their names alongside all the famous Australian clubs since 1885, and have the tradition and honor that goes with it, rather than win just another Kennard, Ampol, Ascot, Bisleri or Craven A Cup.

Bruce Cameron, Blacktown.

Praise to APIA

I would like to give hearty congratulations to the ball-boys on their performance at the APIA v. Canterbury match played at the E.S. Marks Field on Thursday night, August 31.

The smartly uniformed boys in all-white were a credit to APIA Junior Club.

I see games Saturdays and Sundays where ball-boys wear the same colors as their club which, in my opinion, is a disadvantage to both sides.

Soccer Follower, Glebe.

SECOND DIVISION

By LES FARR

With the two games played last Sunday, the Second Division competition is now completed.

The only match not played was the abandoned game between Sutherland and Croatia, which will not take place as it only had to be replayed if it had a bearing on the competition.

After a season of fluctuating fortunes for several clubs, the four teams who succeeded in making the semi-finals were YUGAL, GRANVILLE, BALGOWNIE and CROATIA, finishing in that order and a big crowd is expected at Macarthur Park this Saturday to see the play-offs.

In the games played last Sunday, Granville concluded their phenomenal run with another fine win when they beat Sutherland St. George:

S'LAND v. GRANVILLE 0:3

The early exchanges in this game were fairly even with both teams striving to get on top.

The first goal for Granville came when Cuneen pushed the ball through to Sante, who moved to the corner of the penalty area and neatly lobbed the ball over the advancing goalie's head.

This gave Granville the edge and from a free kick Hobbs flicked the ball with his head just out of the goalkeeper's reach to put them two up at half-time.

With Granville reduced to 10 men when Cuneen was injured early in the second half, Sutherland took the initiative and pressed hard but their forwards lacked finish.

Midway through the half, Sante scored the third goal for Granville to give them a convincing win.

In the other match Balgownie were untroubled to beat Manly, the score being:

MANLY v. BALGOWNIE 2:6

Balgownie were quickly into their stride with their forwards always looking dangerous, and with two good goals by Ryan and McKinnon, were in a commanding position early in the game.

Manly fought back and, following an own goal by Balgownie centre half Branigan, drew level when Leddicoat netted shortly before the interval.

In the second half Balgownie really got on top and the Manly defence seemed to have no answer to the constant attacks on their goal.

McWatters and Ryan with two goals apiece in this half were outstanding for Balgownie, who coasted to an easy victory.

THIS WEEKEND

In the two semi-finals to be played this Saturday at Macarthur Park, the first game, which will start at 1.15 p.m., will be between Granville and Croatia.

Granville will be full of confidence following their long successful run and with two competition victories over Croatia this season I tip them to win a close game.

The second match in this attractive double-header will give many people the opportunity to see this year's Second Division premiers, Yugal, who will be making their debut in First Division next year.

Yugal play Balgownie in what should be a real thriller and with each side having beaten the other in their two competition games this season, it will be hard to pick the winner.

The fact that Yugal have played with more consistency in recent matches and that Balgownie may be feeling the strain of their hard Craven A Cup game against Prague on Wednesday, prompts me to tip Yugal to win by a narrow margin.

"Since you are going off, do me a favour—ring my wife and tell her I'll be late because we are playing extra time!"

SEMI-FINAL TEAMS

GRANVILLE: L. Lindner; M. Paul, R. Wall; R. Cuneen, J. Creeley, I. McIntyre; F. McCool, A. Donaldson, G. Sante, J. Hobbs, R. Barlow.

Reserves: J. Kendal, M. Hogg.

CROATIA: C. Allocca; S. Gavranovic, H. Kronwald; L. Fabijanic, N. Bonazza, L. Troselj; M. Joreta, M. Schwartz, J. Micic, I. Tomicic, G. Allocca.

Reserves: P. Primus, M. Bicanic.

YUGAL: K. Spiegel; M. Petcovich, L. Bogdanovich; J. Mucillo, F. Aranyi, A. Novak; S. Ivanisevich, A. Nincevich, B. Krstulovich, T. Yelisavich, B. Robinson.

Rserves: M. Simich, M. Radovanovich.

BALGOWNIE: W. Billington; H. Van der Kooi, T. Beencke; K. Leishman, T. Branigan, G. Fraser; R. Bell, W. McKinnon, T. McWatters, M. Ryan, R. Harris.

Reserves: J. Grant, T. Evans.

"Scots Hills" mob - heap of beginners . . .

By Imre Panda

After twelve years of residence in Australia, I join the chorus of those who sing the song of this country, the easiest place in the world.

Though there are occasions when I have my reservations about this superlative, in one respect I am prepared to go even beyond that maxim: the "Scots" Hill at the entrance to the Sydney Athletic Field.

Whenever there is a game on that ground you will notice a crowd of hundred or more peepers who follow the proceedings on the field.

They are catered for by peanut sellers and paper boys as if they were legitimate spectators.

Now, I am asking you: where else can lookers-on have it that easy?

Certainly, we didn't have it so good.

When I say we, I mean a bunch of 13-year-olds, including myself.

We had to climb poplars, some thirty feet high, to get a view of the game, but then we saw it better than the referee, we thought.

And what with the outwitting of the guards, who stood at distances of forty yards, if we really decided to get in. That was fun.

We wouldn't have spent our three Kronen, the admission fee we were given by mother, on lollies and "turkish honey" and sit quietly afterwards on a Scots Hill. No sir, not us. We went to the limit. We had to have our adventures with the trees or guards, watch the game for gratis, while our bellies were full with sweets.

In comparison, the squatters on Scots Hill are a heap of unimaginative beginners, who only venture on to the ground when the gates are opened after half time.

They are a detestable lot, no wit, no courage . . .

Not like us, who viewed the events on the field from our lofty look out with detachment.

Till one day Fred . . . but let me tell you the story from the beginning.

Bratislava, Whitsun 1933. The capital of Slovakia, then a dreamy little city between Vienna and Budapest, staged an ambitious soccer tournament for the Stefanik Cup and played host to Racing de Paris, Hungaria Budapest, and Sparta Prague.

Needless to say, all Bratislava was on its toes, etc.. Including us.

There were visitors by the trainful from Vienna and Budapest; it was a real soccer carnival.

Hungaria won the tournament and the cup.

I didn't see the presentation of the trophy.

At that time I was already nursing Fred, my cousin, under the tree.

In the excitement Fred slipped from his "comfortable seat", taking a number of smaller branches down with him, and flattening his nose and fracturing his collarbone.

That evening my father, a just man, thought that I too should have a souvenier from the memorable tournament, because I was one year older than Fred and supposed to have "more brains".

Therefore, father decided to rectify this mental deficiency with the stick

We paid for the free games after all.

The question I like to have an answer to is:

Is there a way to make the "Scots Hill" mob pay their dues?

- Around the Clubs -

In recent weeks an interesting amalgamation has taken place in the Bankstown District — the merger of the Nova Soccer Football Club into the framework of the Bankstown Scottish Association.

This union will be of inestimable value, not only to the clubs concerned but also the district as a whole.

The Bankstown Scottish, a progressive body (possibly the largest of its kind in Australia, with nearly 600 members) has for the last three years sponsored teams under the name Scottish Thistles in the Age Group Soccer competition in the Bankstown area.

Keenly interested, and as vitally concerned in the training and managing of these teams have been committee men and players from the Nova Soccer Club.

They — primarily a Scottish migrant team — were formed seven years ago and are at present in Federation Third Division.

To them a basic problem, of course, is a source for new players, particularly from junior ranks.

This amalgamation offers boys leaving junior ranks the opportunity of playing for a senior team, but with the knowledge that they are still playing with and for their own Association.

Nova Soccer Club have definite ideas, too, of some day invading higher ranks, and this ultimate dream of one day playing in First Division can only come with a financially and numerically large organisation behind it.

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Yugal will hold their Big Dance on September 30, in Paddington Town Hall.

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Broken Hill's top team Dynamo will be visiting Sydney during 6-hour weekend to play Yugal the newly promoted First Division team.

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The Granville S.C. 1961 Annual Ball will be held in Granville Town Hal on Saturday, September 23.

Inquiries from Jack Sedgwick.

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Yugal is negotiating with two Yugoslav First Division players to play with them next year.

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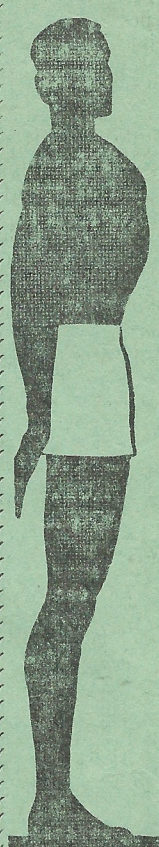

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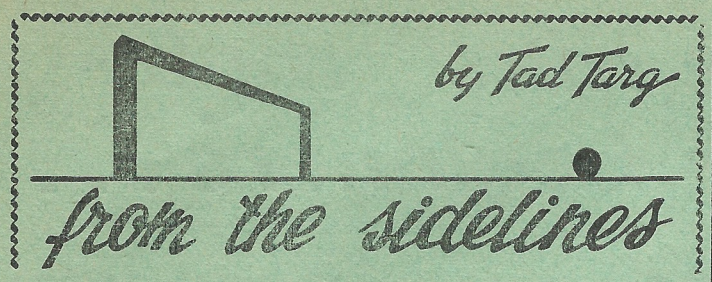

Credit to all

The trouble with this publication is that it does not come out next day after the matches are played

We have to wait a whole week before we can make our comments and, naturally, others often beat us to it.

And, in the event of a Canterbury win over Prague it's an open slather for all soccer (and non-soccer) writers throughout the country.

So, there's usually little left for us to say. However, we shall do our best.

The most pleasing aspect of last Sunday's Canterbury v. Prague match was not necessarily the underdog's win — a fact always pleasing to any person with normal human feelings (other than the supporter of the opposing team, that is) — but the brand of football Canterbury produced to win the match.

And this was made possible by the type of football Prague played.

Had Canterbury played a team of "spoilers" instead of a ball-playing team Prague is, the match would **not** have been the great spectacle it was.

So, while praising Canterbury on their magnificent display, we must not forget Prague, who helped to make it all possible.

It takes two to tango . . .

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Story with a Trafalgar twist

In the other semi-final between Pan Hellenic and Hakoah on Saturday, "history" was repeated, although, perhaps, it went unnoticed by the spectators . . :

Hakoah full-back, John Aird, was injured in a tackle and suffered blurred vision in his right eye.

The Federation Doctor examined John at half time and advised him to rest for 10—15 minutes, otherwise the eye may go blind for the rest of the match.

Said John: "Nelson had only one eye, didn't he?", and went out with his team.

True to his words, he was instrumental in Hakoah's win.

It was he who, after having been switched to the right wing, gained a free kick just outside a penalty area, from which the winning goal was scored.

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Back to normal

My old pal, referee Bill Jameson, has decided to hang up his whistle.

Last Sunday he refereed his last match, South Coast v. Sydney Austral, at Woonona.

It was his 100th First Division match.

Last year he went into semi-retirement and, in the process, became the Secretary of the Referees Association.

This year he was elected Vice-president and . . . decided to give refereeing a go once again. It's here where the story really begins:

Just before the season commenced Bill went for a medical check-up.

The doctor, while he examined Bill, asked if the check-up was being made for insurance purposes.

Bill said no, it was for soccer refereeing.

At this point the medico withdrew his stethoscope from Bill's chest and stuck it to his head . . .

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P.S.: So we reluctantly say farewell to yet another unforgettable character who, finally, decided to accept doctor's advise . . .

- ROBERTSON CUP SEMIS -

By KEITH GILMOUR

Gladesville Ravens gained the open semi-final position for the Robertson Cup semi-finals, to be played in Sydney on 8-Hour weekend.

Ravens had a 4:2 win over West Ryde Rovers at Lambert Park last Sunday.

The other semi-final teams are Hungaria Canberra, Lane Cove United, and Shortland (Newcastle).

Cup-holders, Hungaria, are favorites to retain the trophy.

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The extent to which junior soccer has advanced could be seen in the opening floodlit carnival games at Lidcombe last Friday night.

Under 8s were included in the programme for the first time.

St. George youngsters did very well, winning their match by three corners.

In U/10s, Bankstown, who will be the N.S.W. T.V. team at Redfern Oval on Saturday night under floodlights, were extended by St George.

However, two quick goals at the end sealed St. George's fate.

Other winners were St. George (9s), Bankstown (11s), Gladesville (12s(and Granville and Bankstown (14s).

Kuring-gai surprised by entering the next U/15 round.

Further rounds will be played at Sydney Athletic Field on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th September.

State U/18 premiers, Canterbury, had a 5:1 win against a skilful Queensland team last week at Lambert Park.

Queensland showed good form with ground passing moves, in with ground passing moves, but front of goal.

Canterbury forwards were particularly fast.

The Queensland boys also suffered a 2:3 reverse in their opening match at Cardiff.

A weakened Granville High School side was defeated 8:1.

Queensland also won against Sutherland 9:2, and versus a team of selected High Schools players from Gladesville 5:3.

The Queenslanders are to be congratulated on their endeavors to play carpet football, rather than to "mix it".

Granville's coaching scheme

Granville club has obtained the services of top coach George IAZZORPARDI to conduct a Summer Coaching class consisting of the twenty most promising junior players in the district.

A committee headed by current club coach Des BARKER, has selected these boys, whose ages range from 15 to 20 years.

Classes will commence in mid-October and will be held at Macarthur Park.

These lads will form the nucleus of next years teams.

FEDERATION POINTS

● Proposed prize money for the Summer Cup has been altered to:

1st prize — £3000
2nd prize — £1500
3rd prize — £ 600
4th prize — £ 400

The finance committee of the Federation has been asked to investigate and report on various aspects of this Summer Cup.

● All clubs are required to have ball boys of a minimum age of 12 years who should be instructed in their duties and able to contribute fully to the successful promotion of fixtures.

● A Trophy will be provided for the referee and linesmen officiating at First grade Grand Final.

● All clubs are given timely warning of Management Committee's intention to act in accordance with the authority conferred by Council on August 1, 1961, with the Management Committee minut reading:

"Where it is proved that any club has played players under an assumed name the whole club shall be disqualified".

● The NSW Soccer Club, hitherto not associated with Federation football, has taken a new and important step.

At a recent meeting certain clauses of the club's constitution have been altered.

This now opens the way for the Federation's soccer public to join the licensed club in George Street known as "Soccer House".

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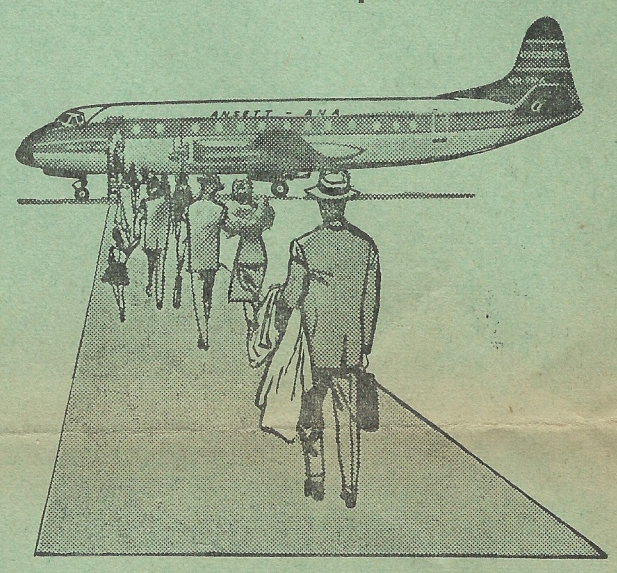

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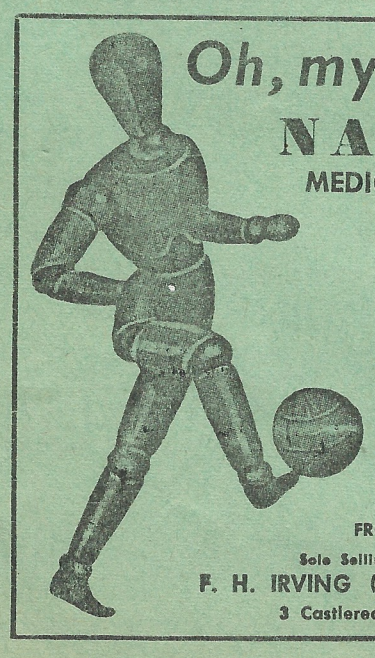

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